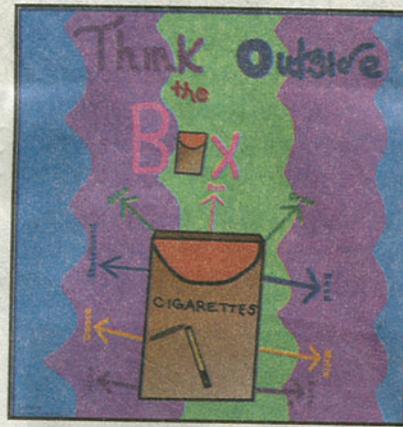


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Graphic submitted to the Northeast Phoenix Independent Mercury Mine Elementary School fifth graders in Mr. Ron Pacioni's class developed their contest-winning logo around the slogan of "Think outside the box."

## Mercury Mine wins county contest

Ron Pacioni's fifth grade class at Mercury Mine Elementary School, 9640 N. 28th St., took first place in the second annual countywide Tobacco-Free Logo and Slogan Contest put on by the Maricopa County Tobacco Use Prevention Program.

The contest, open to fourth through eighth-graders from more than 300 schools across the Valley, allowed students to submit entries as a class to address the dangers of tobacco.

More than 200 entries were divided into two separate grade categories and evaluated by a panel of judges at MACTUPP. Two winners in each category were selected based on originality, creativity, and meaning behind the logo and slogan submitted.

Each winning class will receive either t-shirts, tote bags, or other cool prizes imprinted with their winning logo and slogan.